

APPLICATION PACK



TEACHER OF ART

required from Easter 2019 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Closing date for applications: Friday 22nd March 2019

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Dear Prospective Applicant

Thank you for your interest in applying for this post. This is an exciting opportunity to join two happy and successful schools with excellent achievement and delightful students.

We require an outstanding teacher of Art (with a good sense of humour), to join the **Art department** at the Wyvern St Edmund's Learning Campus from September 2019. The successful candidate will join an outward-facing, passionate and supportive team in an innovative environment where two schools (one boys' and one girls') have co-located to share facilities and teachers to create a large mixed setting.

The position is:

- Full time post
- One year Fixed term
- Required ASAP
- Closing date for applications: Friday 22nd March at 9.00am
- Suitable for an experienced teacher or an NQT

We are hoping for someone energetic, passionate and fun to work with. We are a creative and forward-thinking team of teachers and leaders who pride ourselves on developing positive relationships with students; we believe that being approachable and caring is what helps us safeguard students and drive progress.

We are currently basking in the success of record exam results at both schools in August 2018 and are seeking to move into the top 5% of schools nationally for progress in the near future. We are committed to staff well-being and demonstrate that through our behaviour management and written feedback policies and by offering a few perks; the reduced corporate gym membership and the Wiltshire Rewards cashback programme are very popular. Staff also benefit from our commitment to professional development and, in working as part of a multi-academy trust with four secondary schools, groups of subject leaders and teachers are able to meet regularly to share ideas, schemes of work and to moderate together.

Wyvern St Edmund's Learning Campus

In May 2018, I was asked to take over the Headship of Wyvern College (in addition to my role as Headteacher at St Edmund's) with the aim of 'co-locating' the two schools and creating one 'learning campus'. Both schools are academies and are situated next door to each other in an outstanding location on the outskirts of Salisbury, with a beautiful backdrop of the Laverstock Downs and acres of playing fields. Both schools currently have a 'Good' OFSTED rating.

Whilst we haven't fully merged the schools, departments are mostly located together and lead by a single head of department, and one senior leadership team work across the whole learning campus. It is an innovative and rare project but we believe that by working together we can offer

an even better education to both boys and girls, resulting in higher attainment and progress for all students. Single-sex teaching has remained in most classes and tutor groups but where we believe there is educational benefit for students, some classes are mixed.

New staff joining the school can be assured of a warm, supportive environment along with robust professional challenge and a strong sense of shared vision and ethos: our aim is that every student becomes the best possible version of themselves that they can be. We are very proud of our caring Christian ethos that runs through every aspect of school life. St Edmund's Girls' School and Wyvern College are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and we expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be subject to enhanced DBS checks. References will be sought on shortlisted candidates before interview.

How to Apply

Please take time to look at the information about St Edmund's School and Wyvern College, which is on our websites. Should you have any specific queries that are not answered by the information we have provided, or wish to visit the school prior to making an application, please contact my PA, Jacqui Wardley (jwardley@wyvernsteds.org; 01722 328565).

Please email your application to Jacqui, remembering to include three documents:

Application Form (the full pack can be found here)

Equality & Diversity Form

Letter of Application (no more than 2 sides of A4 paper) in which you should detail the skills, attributes and experiences which make you an appropriate candidate for the post. Please try to include information in this letter that helps us get to know <u>you</u> as well as your professional skills.

Disclosure & Barring Service

Due to the nature of the position for which you are applying, and to ensure your suitability for this type of work, you will be required to apply for clearance from the Disclosure and Barring Service if you are successful in your application. This will take place before your appointment is confirmed. The clearance process will disclose details of formal cautions, reprimands and final warnings, as well as convictions. Having a criminal conviction will not automatically exclude you from employment – this will depend on the nature of the position, and the circumstances and background of the offences committed.

We look forward to receiving your application

Yours sincerely



Nicola Bull - Headteacher

WYVERN ST EDMUND'S: THE ART DEPARTMENT

Art and Design is taught in three well equipped classrooms including a ceramic and glass kiln.

At KS3 all classes are mixed ability and we have developed our own scheme of work based on the current Programmes of Study. The course is project-based, each project lasting approximately 10 weeks and with learning opportunities covering a range of skills and media to inspire creativity. A variety of teaching strategies and resources are used. Assessment for Learning is an integral part of our teaching.

At KS4 all students follow the AQA Art and Design Course. The subject is popular at GCSE and we now also offer GCSE Photography. The Art department also contributes to the teaching of Technology.

The Art department has developed a team of hardworking teachers who also promote the subject through opportunities such as the 'Flexible Learning Days' programme. We also enjoy strong community links and provide art work for display in exhibitions and at local venues. Art and design is a popular subject in the school and this is an excellent opportunity for a dynamic person with vision.